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REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

On the Investigation of certain matters in the Treasurer's Report for the Year 1863.

The select committee to which was referred the following preamble and resolution, to-wit:

"WHEREAS, It appears from the Report of the Public Treasurer for the year 1863, that as follows, to-wit: "The first class of bonds mentioned in this exhibit, ["A" in Treasurer's Report,] amounting to $53,000, I do not find mentioned in the Reports of my predecessor. They are over due, and I was not aware that they were in existence until a number of the class were presented for payment. At what time they fell due, I am unable to state, not having been able to find any entry in the office showing the date of their issue, or the number and amount issued. They are registered bonds, and I find in this office a book in which the holders of these bonds gave receipts for the semi-annual interest, from which it appears that the total amount of them was $370,000. The books show the payment of $317,000, leaving unpaid $53,000." And whereas, it also appears in the Public Treasurer's Report of May 17th, 1864, as follows, to-wit: "The Atlantic and N. C. Railroad Company owed the State on account of the loan to that company under the act of 1856, chap. 71, some $400,000. This act provides that the loan was to be made only on consideration that the road should set aside its receipts over and above annual expenses as a sinking fund to pay the debt and interest; and on the further condition of giving a mortgage on the effects of the company, conditioned to save the State harmless against loss of both principal and interest, which mortgage I have not been able to find. The following are all the payments which have been made on this debt, to-wit: November 1863, one hundred and forty-eight thousand dollars; December, one hundred thousand dollars." And whereas, it is due alike to the credit of the State and the character of the late Public Treasurer, that an investigation of these matters should be made, and all the facts connected therewith ascertained, therefore,

Resolved, That a select committee, consisting of three members, be appointed to examine the matters referred to in the foregoing preamble, and report the result of such examination to the Senate," have performed that duty and respectfully report:

That before proceeding to the required investigation they notified the late Treasurer, through their chairman, of the time and place of their first meeting, and asked him if he desired to be present; to which he replied that he did not, nor did he desire that either of his clerks should attend. Upon examination of the books of the Treasury Department they find that the 53,000 dollars of bonds referred to by the Public Treasurer in his report for the year 1863, and which he states he does not find mentioned in the reports of his predecessor, are the balance of a class of registered bonds or certificates authorized to be issued by an act of the General Assembly, passed at the session of 1850-'51, and form a part of the $270,000 mentioned in the Treasurer's report above referred to. By an act passed at the session of 1848-'9 the Public Treasury was authorized and directed to issue certificates of debt in proper form to the amount of $200,000, to pay certain liabilities of the State then outstanding, which sum proving insufficient, another act was passed at the succeeding session of 1850-'51, authorizing a similar issue of $200,000 more for the same purpose. These certificates of debt were to run ten years, and to bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum. They were to be signed by the public Treasurer and countersigned by the Comptroller, and were transferable only on the books of the Treasury Department. At the time of the issue of these certificates under the act of 1848-'9 the late Maj. Charles L. Hinton, was Public Treasurer, and it appears from the books of the Treasury Department that the whole sum was issued by him from time to time, as the wants of the Treasury required, all of which were promptly paid on their arriving at maturity. Of the $200,000 authorized by the act of 1850-'51 only $170,000 were issued, that sum being sufficient to pay the liabilities provided for. This latter amount was issued by the late Treasurer, D. W. Courts, Esq., and according to his report were sold at a premium. Of this last mentioned sum $147,000 has been paid, leaving the foregoing balance of $53,000 still due and unpaid, as stated in the Treasurer's report.

The committee examined with great care the entries on the books of the Treasury, and find that the whole sum realized from the sale of the $370,000 of certificates or bonds as aforesaid, was regularly entered and charged in the books, the first 200,000 against Ex-Treasurer Hinton and the $170,000 against the late Treasurer, D. W. Courts. They also find that each bond as issued, was regularly entered in a book prepared for that purpose, showing the date of its issue, the number of the bond, purchaser's name, and amount. Upon refering to the late Treasurer's printed reports, we find that in the biennial reports to the General Assembly for the year 1858 and 1860, there is a full statement in each of the indebtedness of the State, exhibiting the bonds in question as well as others. In the reports for the years 1852, 1856 and 1862, there is no general statement showing the indebtedness of the State, but there is an estimate in each of these years of the amonnt of money supposed to be required for support of the government and the payment of interest on the outstanding debt for the succeeding two years, in which estimate is included a sum necessary to pay the interest on the registered bonds or certificates aforesaid. During the session of 1858, there was a special call by resolution of the Senate on the Public Treasurer, for a statement of the State debt, and in response to that call, the late Treasurer furnished the required statement, in which the bonds or certificates issued under the acts before refered to, amounting to the aforesaid sum of $270,000, are fully set forth. The only statement furnished by the late Treasurer exhibiting the indebtedness of the State, in which these certificates or bonds *do not appear in one or the other* of the beforementioned forms, is a report made by that officer to the board of claims, at the request of the chairman of that board, in the month of October, 1862. In this report these bonds or certificates are omitted. For what reason your committee have been unable to ascertain. They were informed however by the late chief clerk of the Treasury Department who made out the statement, that the bonds or certificates in question were omitted from the statement because they were *overdue*. This in the opinion of your committee instead of being a reason for their omission, was rather a reason why they should have been included. The statement of the State's indebtedness here referred to, your committee were informed by the present Treasurer was the one he examined when preparing his annual report, and in reference to which he made the following statement: *"The first class of bonds mentioned in this exhibit, amounting to* $53,000, *I do not find mentoned in the report of my predecessor."*

In reference to the second branch of the inquiry with which your committee is charged, as to the doubt implied whether or not the condition of the "act to provide for the completion of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad" had been complied with prior to the delivery to the company of the $400,000 of State bonds mentioned in said act, your committee find that according to the second section of the act, the Railroad Company was required to "*execute and deliver to the Governor of this State a mortgage on the entire road and its warehouses, stations and rolling stock, conditioned to save the State harmless against loss of both principal and interest of said loan*"—which mortgage they find was duly executed, proven before Judge Ellis, and registered in the Register's office of each of the counties through which the road runs, and filed with the Governor of the State, before any part of the $400,000 of the bonds above mentioned were delivered to the Company by the late Treasurer, and which mortgage is now on file in the Governor's office.

Your committee are therefore of opinion that so far as the investigation of the matters embodied in the preamble and resolution committed to their charge is concerned, the late Treasurer D. W. Courts, Esq., has been guilty of no laches in the performance of his duty in the premises, saving and excepting the omission last above mentioned, which may have been either accidental, or for the reason as signed by the late Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. F. PATTERSON,
J. W. ELLIS,
C. S. WINSTEAD,
Committee.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION SALES.

January 4th, 1865.

ONE NEGRO GIRL 18 YEARS OLD AND 1 CHILD, 3 years old.

The woman is a good House Servant, Washer and Ironer.
One Negro woman 30 years old, and child 3 months old.
A number to be added to the sale by sale day.
4 hogsheads of fine leaf Tobacco.
1 fine parlor Steve.
4 boxes Snuff.
And a great many other articles.

TUCKER, ANDREWS & CO.,
Auction & Com. Merch'ts.
Raleigh, Dec. 26, 1864. 211—4t.

By Tucker, Andrews & Co.

AT AUCTION, JANUARY 4th 1865, 3 SOWS, WITH 3 Young Pigs, each extra Stock, also, Horse, Wagon and Harness, 1 Fine Sofa, 1 Fine Bureau with large Mirror
Dec. 29, 1864. 212-2t

By Tucker, Andrews & Co.

SUNDRIES AT AUCTION.

WILL BE SOLD ON THE 4TH DAY OF JANUARY 1865.
1 Cow and Calf,
400 bbls Soft Soap,
10 Head of Fine Fat Sheep.
Dec. 28, 1864. 212 2t

BY TUCKER, ANDREWS & CO.

AT AUCTION, JANUARY 4, 1865:
2 no 1 wagon horses.
Dec. 30, 1864. 212—3t.

D. C. MURRAY & CO.,

AUCTION AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

FAYETTEVILLE STREET, RALEIGH, N. C,

Will attend promptly to all business entrusted to them. Their Store rooms are large and secure. Sales room, the Store formerly occupied by H. L. Evans, next door to Messrs. Creech & Litchford, and immediately opposite the State Quartermaster's Department.

D. C. MURRAY,
JAS A. MOORE,
J. W. HARRISON.

December 30, 1864. 213—1f.
☞ Standard copy.

MINERAL FIRE-PROOF PAINT.

WE ARE NOW PREPARED TO SUPPLY ANY QUANTIty of this Paint in powder. It is a Peroxide of Iron, and will stand the most severe tests with fire. Color deep reddish brown.

Specimens of Paint and Oil can be seen at the store of Tucker, Andrews & Co., Raleigh,

HENRY E. COLTON, Agt. F. K Co.,
Fayetteville Nov. 22 1864 189—tf.

S. T. WILDER,

Auction and Commission Merchant,

LOUISBURG, N. C.

Will make sales of real estate or personal property, merchandise, provisions, flour, grain, salt, &c., and solicits consignments. Franklinton is the nearest depot.
Oct. 31, 1864. 164—2m*

THE BINGHAM SCHOOL,

A Military and Classical Finishing Academy

THE NEXT SESSION WILL BEGIN FEBRUARY 1ST, 1865, at Mebanesville, on the North Carolina Railroad. While the old course has been retained, extensive additions have been made, with a view to making GOOD SOLDIERS, as well as good scholars. Address

COL. WM. BINGHAM,
Superintendent.
Oaks, N. C., Nov. 21, 1864. 181—32t.

NOTICE.

WE HAVE FOR SALE ON REASONABLE TERMS AT Greensboro',
5,000 bunches Cotton Yarn.
1,000 boxes Tobacco.

CYRUS P. MENDENHALL,
Prest. N. C. V. N. C.
Greensboro', N. C., Dec. 26, 1864. 211—d2w
Confederate copy 2 weeks daily.

LOST.

$700, 4 PER CENT CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITE dated March 23d 1864, No. 2413, issued to H. Sweezey, by C. B. Harrison, Dep. If not found within six weeks from this date, application will be made for a duplicate.

J. H. SWEEZEY,
Adm'r of H. Sweezey dec'd.
Raleigh, Dec. 23, 1864. 209 w6w

100 NEGRO MEN WANTED!

THE GORGAS MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMpany want to hire one hundred good hands, to work at their Factories on Deep River, in Chatham county, N. C. The locality is a safe one. Liberal wages paid. Apply to W. L. Brodie, Gen. Sup't, at Gorgas, Chatham county, N. C., or to J. M. Heck, President, Raleigh, N. C.

P. S. They also want 25 negro carpenters and 15 negro blacksmiths.
Dec. 30, 1864. 213—3t.

JOHN G. WILLIAMS & Co.,

STOCK AND MONEY BROKERS,

Raleigh, N. C.,

CONTINUES TO CARRY ON THE BROKERAGE BUSIness at their old stand as heretofore in all its various branches.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

THE ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS OF THE LATE C. T Iredell have been placed in my hands for collection, embracing those of Iredell Brothers. Persons indebted under either head are respectfully requested to make immediate payment as the administrator is anxious to settle up the business of the estate. I can be seen at the office of the "Conservative."

J. J. LANSDELL,
October 18, 1864. 153—tf.

Headquarters, Reserve, N. C.,

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 19, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 22.

I. SURGEON THOS. HILL, P. A. C. S., having, in obedience to Special Orders No. 278, Par. II, A. & I. G. O. current series, reported at these Headquarters, is assigned to duty as Chief Surgeon Reserve, N. C., and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

II.—All Medical Officers serving with Reserves in this State, will at once report, by letter, to Surgeon Hill, and forward to him requisitions for such medicines and other supplies as are necessary.

By command of Lt. General HOLMES,
JOHN W. HINSDALE.
Assistant Adjutant General.
Dec. 30, 1864. 213—5t

YADKIN COLLEGE,

DAVIDSON COUNTY, N. C.

THIS INSTITUTION WILL OPEN JANUARY 11, 1865, with a full faculty.

A Military department, with peculiar advantages, will be connected with the College, directly under the superintendency of men of a military education. Terms reasonable.

Address
REV. G. W. HEGE, A. M.,
President.
Dec 30, 1864. 213—1t.
☞ Charlotte Democrat, Salisbury Watchman, Salem Press, and Petersburg Express ingert one time and send bills to Standard office.

THE CLOSING YEAR.

'Tis midnight's holy hour, and silence now,
Is brooding like a spirit o'er
The still and pulseless world. Hark! on the winds
The bell's deep tones are swelling: 'tis the knell
Of the departed year. No funeral train
Is sweeping past; yet, on the stream and wood,
With melancholy light the moonbeams rest,
Like a pale, spotless shroud; the air is stirred
As by a mourner's sigh; and on yon cloud,
That floats so still and placidly through Heaven,
The spirits of the season seem to stand,—
Young Spring, bright Summer, Autumn's solemn form,
And Winter, with his aged locks,—and breathe
In mournful cadence, that come abroad
Like the far wind harp's wild, touching wail,
Gone from the earth forever.

'Tis a time
For memory and for tears. Within the deep,
Still chambers of the heart, a specter dim,
Whose tones are like the wizard voice of Time,
Heard from the tomb of ages, points its cold
And solemn finger to the beautiful
And holy visions that have passed away,
And left no shadow of their loveliness
On the dead waste of life. That specter lifts
The coffin lid, of Hope, and Joy, and Love,
And bending mournfully above the pale
Sweet forms that slumber there, scatters dead flowers
O'er what has passed to nothingness.

The year
Has gone, and with it many a glorious throng
Of happy dreams. Its mark is on each brow,
Its shadow in each heart. In its swift course
It waved its sceptre o'er the beautiful,
And they are not. It laid its pallid hand
Upon the strong man; and the haughty form
Is fallen and the flashing eye is dim,
It trod the hall of revelry, where thronged
The bright and joyous; and the fearful wail
Of stricken ones is heard, where erst the song
And reckless shout resounded. It passed o'er
The battle plain, where sword, and spear, and shield
Flashed in the light of midday; and the strength
Of serried hosts is shivered, and the grass,
Green from the soil of carnage, waves above
The crushed and moldering skeleton. It came,
And faded like a wreath of mist at eve;
Yet, ere it melted in the viewless air,
It heralded its millions to their home
In the dim land of dreams.

Remorseless Time!
Fierce spirit of the glass and scythe! What power
Can stay him in his silent course, or melt
His iron heart, to pity. On, still on,
He presses, and forever. The proud bird,
The Condor of the Andes, that can soar
Through heaven's unfathomable depths, or brave
The fury of the northern hurricane,
And bathe his plumage in the thunder's home,
Furls his broad wing at nightfall, and sinks down
To rest upon his mountain crag; but Time
Knows not the weight of sleep or weariness,
And night's deep darkness has no chain to bind
His rushing pinion.

Revolutions sweep
O'er earth, like troubled visions o'er the breast
Of dreaming sorrow; cities rise and sink
Like bubbles on the water; fiery isles
Spring, blazing from the ocean, and go back
To their mysterious caverns; mountains rear
To heaven their bold and blackened cliffs, and bow
Their tall heads to the plain; and empires rise,
Gathering the strength of hoary centuries
And rush down, like the Alpine avalanche,
Startling the nations; and the very stars,
Yon bright and glorious blazonry of God,
Glitter a while in their eternal depths,
And, like the Pleiad, loveliest of their train,
Shoot from their glorious spheres and pass away
To darkle in the trackless void; yet Time,
Time, the tomb builder, holds his fierce career,
Dark, stern, and pitiless, and pauses not
Amid the mighty wrecks that strew his path,
To sit and muse, like other conquerors,
Upon the fearful ruin he had wrought.

G. D. PRENTICE.

Executive Department North Carolina,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
RALEIGH, Dec. 19, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 171.

COMMANDERS OF REGIMENTS AND BATTALLIONS of the Guard for Home Defence will, at once, call out for field service the 1st class of their respective commands, as organized under General Orders, No. 24, and send them to Goldsboro' with all possible dispatch.

As these troops arrive at Goldsboro' they will be organized as heretofore into the 1st, 2nd and 3rd regiments of the 1st class, with the same Field and Staff Officers.

The Field and Staff Officers of the above named regiments will repair to Goldsboro', and report for duty to Brig. Gen. Leventhorpe, and be prepared to receive the troops as they arrive.

By order of GOVERNOR VANCE:
R. C. GATLIN,
Adjutant General.
Dec. 21, 1864. 207—7t

Executive Department North Carolina,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
RALEIGH, Dec. 20, 1864.

SPECIAL ORDERS,
No. 172.

TO MEET THE PRESENT EMERGENCY, ALL UNEXpired furloughs and leaves of absence heretofore granted to members of the Guard for Home Defence, except those granted for physical disability, are hereby revoked, and the parties will proceed with the 1st class of their respective battalions to Goldsboro'.

By order of GOVERNOR VANCE:
R. C. GATLIN,
Adjutant General.
Dec. 21, 1864. 207—7t

Negro Auction and Commission House.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY NEXT, AT THE Store formerly occupied by C. W. D. Hutchings, on Fayetteville street, in the city of Raleigh, the subscribers will establish an

AUCTION AND COMMISSION HOUSE

for the sale of Slaves.

We have provided safe and comfortable quarters, and will be as moderate in our charges for board, &c., as the times will permit.

With an experience of twenty years in the trade, and the advantages of an extensive acquaintance, we flatter ourselves that we understand the business; and with the assurance of quick sales and prompt returns, respectfully solicit public patronage.

W. F. ASKEW & CO.
Raleigh Dec. 20, 1864. 206—dtf

Headquarters, 4th Reg't. Home Guards,
DEC. 21st, 1864.

All officers and men belonging to this Regiment, who are now absent by reason of furloughs from the Medical Examining Board or otherwise will report promptly at the expiration of their furloughs, or they will be considered and treated as deserters.

Commanding officers of battalions in the counties to which the above belong will forward them in due time.

T. H. BREM,
Lieut. Col. Commanding.

OFFICIAL:
FRANK A. BOND,
Maj. & A. A. G., S. A.
☞ Confederate copy 3 times, Standard 2 times.

French Hoop Skirts.

For sale by
KINSEY & WARE.
Raleigh, Dec. 27, 1864. 211—tf.

WANTED.

A NEAT HOUSE GIRL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR. Apply at this office. 197—

AUCTION SALE.

By M. CRONLY, Auctioneer.

PORT WARDENS' SALE.

CARGO SAVED EX STEAMSHIP "ELLA."

ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 5TH, 1864, COMmencing at 10 o'clock, a. m., I will sell at my Sales Rooms, Front street, Wilmington, N. C. under inspection of the Port Wardens, for and on account of whom it may concern; all the cargo saved from the wreck of

STEAMSHIP ELLA—Viz:

530 pieces dark, fancy and mourning Prints,
86 " bleached Shirtings,
161 dozen Half Hoes—assorted,
20 pieces black Alpaca,
20 " Alpaca—assorted colors,
12 " Alpaca Lustre,
18 " Maroon Stripes,
20 dozen Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs,
110 pieces Paper Cambric—assorted colors,
6 " black Broad Cloth,
16 " Grey Cloth,
6 " Tweeds,
48 rolls Ribbon,
19 black Lace Mantillas,
200 dozen Coats' Spool Cotton,
50 gross Agate Buttons,
130 packs Pins,
39 dozen Dressing Combs,
8 " Merino Drawers.
150 pounds Flax Thread, B. & W.,

20 Letter Copying Books,

74 dozen Fr Waxed Calf Skins,
56 " Goat Skins,
29 " Chamois Skins,
20 sides extra Sole Leather.

30 boxes Adamantine Candles,
27 " Brown Soap,
33 " Brown Windsor Soap,
7 chests Tea,
5 bags Coffee,
10 bags Pepper,
7 cases White Wine Vinegar, 1 dozen each,
1 case Cheese.

20,000 pounds Cotton Card Wire.

AND

Immediately thereafter, the following *sound* goods received by recent arrivals:

3 cases Black Flax Thread, 1,600 lbs.,
5 " Clark's Spool Cotton, 2,000 dozen,
1 " Agate Buttons, 85 gt. gross,
2 " White Bone Buttons, 90 gt. gross,
7 " Military Buttons,
2,000 pairs heavy Brogans,
5 cases Head Stalls, Girths and Buckles,

10 bales Twine,

3 cases Cotton Cards.
Dec. 30th, 211—ts.

North Carolina Volunteer Navy Company.

SINCE OUR AGENT HAS GONE ABROAD TO PURchase a Vessel for the Company, frequent inquiries have been made, and a disposition manifested on the part of the public, to further subscribe to the Capital Stock of the North Carolina Volunteer Navy. It was therefore ordered by the Board of Directors at a meeting held in the town of Greensboro' on the first instant, that the books of the Company be reopened for further subscription to the Capital Stock, and remain open untill the annual meeting of the Stockholders to be held in the city of Raleigh, on the 2d Thursday in January next, and notice is hereby given to the Stockholders generally, that business of great importance to the Company will be brought before this approaching meeting in January, and a full attendance is expected either in person or by proxy.

CYRUS P. MENDENHALL, President.
December 17, 1864. 203—2w.

Classical and Mathematical School.

THE NEXT SESSION OF MY SCHOOL WILL commence on the 16th of January, 1865. Every advantage for a thorough and complete education will be enjoyed by the pupils connected with the school.

Board can be had for a limited number of pupils at moderate rates if early application be made. For particulars address,

WILLIAM C. DOUB, Principal,
Eagle Rock, N. C.
Dec. 23, 1864. 209—4t*

FIVE HUNDRED HANDS WANTED.

FIVE HUNDRED HANDS WANTED TO WORK on the grading and laying of the Chatham Railroad. The highest market price will be given, and hands well taken care of.

Also, 100 Carpenters.
Also, a Portable Steam Saw Mill wanted.
Apply to KEMP P. BATTLE.
President, Raleigh, N. C.
or to J. E. ALLEN, Sup't.,
Cary, N. C.
Dec. 8, 1864. 196—tf.

NEGROES AT AUCTION.

ON THURSDAY, 29TH DECEMBER, WILL BE SOLD in front of our sales room—one Negro Woman 30 years old, an excellent Washer, Ironer and Seamstress, one Negro Man 44 years old, good field hand, one Woman 37 years old with two children.

CREECH & LITCHFORD,
Commission Merchants and Auctioneers.
December 8, 1864. 196—eodtds

Confederate Money Wanted.

WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH, AT AUCTION, IN THE town of Lexington, N. C., on Saturday, the 31st of Dec., 1864, one hundred and fifty boxes of Tobacco, and sixteen bales of good Cotton.

McCRARY & STIMSON.
December 17, 1864. 203—16s.

A DESIRABLE RESIDENCE For Rent.

The Commodious and desirable residence of Mr. F. P. Haywood near the city of Raleigh, known as "Silver Springs," with three hundred acres of land adjoining is offered for the ensuing year. Apply to

TUCKER, ANDREWS & CO.,
Fayetteville Street.
Raleigh, Dec. 23, 1054. 209—tf.

TAX IN KIND!

THE ASSESSORS FOR WAKE COUNTY WILL BE IN Raleigh on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week in November and December, for the purpose of assessing the Tax in Kind of Corn, Fodder, Molasses, Sugar, Peas, Beans, Ground Peas, &c.

We want every good citizen to give in for the Soldiers' wives, ladies and infirm persons of their neighborhoods.

Those who have not listed their Wheat, Oats, Rye, Hay and Wool, can also list at the above times.

F. G. FOSTER,
NATHAN IVEY, } Assessors.
Nov. 21, 1864.

Negroes Wanted.

THE UNDERSIGNED IS AUTHORIZED TO HIRE FOR the ensuing year for employment in the Artillery Work Shops about to be established by the Government at Salisbury, N. C., the following hands, to wit: 20 Blacksmiths, 20 Helpers, 15 Carpenters and 20 Laborers. Ample food, good quarters and the usual amount of clothing will be supplied them. A liberal price paid.

JAS. M. BOYD,
Capt. in charge Arty. Shops,
Salisbury N. C.
Dec. 21 1864. 207-2w

GOVERNMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA.

His Excellency, Zebulon B Vance, Buncombe, Governor
Col David A Barnes, Northampton, Aid.
Col George Little, Wake. do
M S Robins, Randolph, Private Secretary.
Dr Edward Warren, Chowan, Surgeon General.
John P H Russ, Wake, Secretary of State.
Jonathan Worth, Randolph, Public Treasurer.
Curtis H Bregden, Wayne, Comptroler.
Richard H Battle, Jr, Anson, Auditor.
Oliver H Perry, Wake, State Librarian.
Washington C. Kerr, of Mecklenburg, State Geologist
Major General R C Gatlin, Lenoir, Adjutant General.
Major William B Gulick, Beaufort, Paymaster.
Major John Devereux, Wake, Quartermaster.
Major T D Hogg, Wake, Commissary and Ordnance Officer.
Major James Sloan, Guilford, Quartermaster.
Major Henry A Dowd, Edgecombe, do
Major James H. Foote, Asst. Adjt. Gen., (Roll of Honor.)
Major William A Graham, Jr., Ass't Adjt. General.
Lieut. Josiah Collins, Washington county, Ordnance Department.
Lieut. Thomas White, Franklin, Asst. Quartermaster.
Lieut. Isaac W. Garrett, Edgecombe, Asst. Quartermaster.
Lieut. Thaddeus McGee, Wake, Asst. Commissary.
Lieut. Charles H. Thompson, Wake, Asst. Commissary.
Lieut. Geo. W. Thompson, Caswell, Assistant Adjutant General, (Roll of Honor.)

JUDICIAL.

SUPREME COURT.

Richmond M Pearson, Yadkin, Chief Justice.
Wm H Battle, Orange, and Matthias E Manly, Craven, Judges.
Sion H Rogers, Wake, Attorney General.
Patrick H Winston, Wake, Reporter.
Edmund B Freeman, Wake, Clerk.
[Meets in the city of Raleigh second Monday in June each year. The Morganton term has been discontinued.]

SUPERIOR COURTS.

Judges—Edwin G Reade, Person, Romulus M Saunders, Wake; Robert Heath, Chowan; Robt S French, Robeson; James W Osborne, Mecklenburg; George Howard, Wilson; William M Shipp, Henderson; Robert B Gilliam, Granville.

Solicitors—1st Circuit, Jesse J Yeates, Hertford; 2nd Circuit, Charles C Clark, Craven; 3rd Circuit, Sion H Rogers, Wake, Attorney General; 4th Circuit, Thomas Settle, Rockingham; 5th Circuit, Ralph Buxton, Cumberland; 6th Circuit, Robert F Armfield, Yadkin; 7th Circuit, William P Bynum; 8th Circuit, Augustus S Merrimon, Buncombe.

CONFEDERATE COURT.

Hon Asa Biggs, Martin, Judge.
George V Strong, Wayne, District Attorney.
Pride Jones, Orange, Marshal.
Clerk of Albemarle District, Joseph Ramsay.
Clerk of Pamlico District, Wm M Watson.
Clerk of Cape Fear District, Daniel Coleman.
[The next Term will be held as follows: Albemarle District, at Halifax, on 2d May next. Pamlico District, at Goldsboro', on 5th May next. Cape Fear District, at Concord, on 8th May next.]

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The University of North Carolina is at Chapel Hill.—Hon David L Swain, President.

Rev Calvin H Wiley is Superintendent of the Common Schools of the State.

Willie J Palmer, A M, is Principal of the N C Institution for the Deaf Dumb and the Blind, at Raleigh.

Dr Edward C Fisher is Superintendent of the Insane Asylum.

Claims for Deceased Officers and Soldiers.

WILSON, N. C., June 20, 1864.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS BEEN APPOINTED A COMmissioner to investigate, collect and pay over to the parties entitled thereto, all claims for bounty arrearages of pay and allowances, due to the representatives of deceased officers and soldiers from this State.

The parties entitled are: first, the widow of the deceased, if any, if there be no widow then, secondly, the child or children, if there be such, if there be neither widow or children then, thirdly, the father, if there be neither widow, child, children or father then, fourthly, the mother of the deceased, and in default of all of these then, fifthly, the executor or administrator of the deceased.

The claimant or claimants must furnish his, her or their affidavit, and that of one disinterested witness as to the relationship, and in all cases, where the claimant is not the widow, the affidavit must negative the existence of a claimants of a higher order. The Justice of the Peace, before whom the affidavit is subscribed must certify to the credibility of the witness, and Clerk of the County Court must certify, under the seal of the Court, that he is a Justice of the Peace.

If the claimant or claimant be a child or children of the deceased; and he, she or they be minors, the claim must be propounded by his, her or their guardian, and the fact of his being guardian must be certified to, under seal of the County Court Clerk.

When the claims is made by an executor or administrator, the fact of the executorship or seal by the County Court Clerk.

All of these papers should be sent in duplicate.

Any person directly interested will be furnished, upon application to me, with a proof or form of these papers in full; a copy of which, for the greater convenience of parties, will be forwarded as soon as may be practicable to each County Court Clerk.

This commission is instructed to facilitate the collection of these claims, and save the claimants all expense.

Parties interested may materially aid me in the investigation of their claims, if at the time of forwarding their paper to me, they will inform me of the date of the death of the deceased, where he died, was killed, whether or not they or any one for them, have received the personal effects which deceased had with him at the time of his death, and whether or not the deceased (if a non commissioned officer or private) had ever received the State's bounty.

It is very desirable that all claims should be forwarded at as early as may be practicable. In all cases, give the claimants, Post Office and County in full.

NO. A. STANLY,
16t—tf. Commissioner.

FAYETTEVILLE NORTH CAROLINA

MILITARY ACADEMY.

THE FIRST SESSION OF THIS INSTITUTION will commence 1st of February, 1865

Applications for admission must be made prior to the 1st January, 1865, about which time the terms will be made known.

Also, wanted two teachers of military education and a steward in this institution. Address

Maj. WM. A. BANKS,
Superintendent.
October 24, 1864. 158—tf.

Headquarters Reserve, N. C.,
Raleigh Dec. 1st, 1864.

General Orders
No. 19.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR RESERVES OF NORTH Carolina who are absent from their commands without proper authority, are ordered to rejoin them without delay.—County Enrolling Officers are made responsible for the apprehension of such as do not at once comply with this order.

By command of Lt. Gen. HOLMES.
JNO. W. HINSDALE,
A. A. General.
Dec. 2, 1864. 191—

ORPHAN ENDOWMENT FUND.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS FUND MAY BE MADE to Geo. W. Mordecai Jno. G. Williams and W H Jones, Cashiers
C. F. DEEMS.
Raleigh, Oct. 29, 1864. 263—tf.

50 BOXES CAROLINA BELLE SNUFF FOR sale.
KINSEY & WARE.
Raleigh Dec. 22, 1864. 209—tf.

Oxford Classical and Mathematical School.

J. H. HORNER, PRINCIPAL.

THE NEXT SESSION OF THIS SCHOOL WILL OPEN the 1st day of February.
Oxford, N. C. Dec. 15th 1864. 203-4t*

Belmont School, Granville County, N. C.

THE NEXT SESSION OF THIS SCHOOL WILL COMmence on the 27th of January 1865. For particulars address.
R. H. GRAVES,
Oxford, N. C.
Dec. 21, 1864. 207—7t*

DAILY CONSERVATIVE.

BY J. B. NEATHERY & CO.

SATURDAY, - - - DECEMBER 31, 1864.

THE ILL-SUCCESS OF General Hood's expedition into Tennessee, is made the ground of severe attacks upon the President, in various quarters. The Richmond *Examiner* takes the affair especially to heart, and deals its heavy metal with force against the President, and others follow suit. The bitter personal and political venom of that paper, is a serious drawback to its ability. Indeed, its smartness is seldom excited, unless there is a strong under current of personal or political hatred to prompt it.—Hence we do not sympathize with its attacks upon the President or Gov. Letcher or Gov. Vance. It has but one ideal great man at a time before it, whom it attempts to write up, while it has a number of men before it, whom it thinks would be great, if it did not write them down. At one time the late Gen. Floyd was its one ideal great man, yet it failed to induce any one to believe it but itself. Since his death it has taken up one and then another, with as little success. General Johnston is now its great man, we believe. We are inclined to think he comes up to the *Examiner's* standard. We presume we have no more thorough theoretic general than General Joe Johnston. In strategical skill and in reireat tactics he is a General all over. The lamented Sidney Johnston said that the people's estimate of the true merit of a General was his success. We insist upon it, the people are right in this estimate.—If any one can show how much General Joe Johnston's great scientific and theoretic abilities as a General, have done for the cause, since the first battle of Manassas, we shall be obliged to him. Who has lost more of the material of war by his strategy? Who has given up more important territory to the enemy, and sacrificed more of the property of our people? It may be that he has done the best he could, under the support given him by the President. If so, he is not blamable—the blame rests somewhere else. This the *Examiner* attempts to fix upon the President. But before the charge can lie against the President, the *Examiner* must show that the President could have done better under the circumstances. The world admits that Stonewall Jackson was a great General. Why? Because he always did *more* with the force he had at command, than any one could reasonably expect. What other General has done this?—Has Gen. Johnston?

The people regard great Generals and great Doctors in the same light. What do the people care for the sheep-skin or the scientific attainments of a great Doctor, who is always experimenting but seldom cures his patients? It is the Doctor that cures, whether he has a sheep skin or not, that the people value. It is so with our Generals. Those who fight and win, are the men for the times.

In the matter of Gen. Hood's movements, we regard it as a blunder—a mistake, for which, perhaps, no one is to blame, unless it can be shown that the parties concerned in the movement, have not done the best they could under the circumstances. The results only show that Sherman had more brains and knew his own strength better than those who were determined to check-mate him.

NO TROOPS FIGHT BETTER at any time or place, when led by competent officers, than the North Carolina troops. The history of this war at all points, proves this. In alluding to the success of our troops at Fort Branch and Wilmington, a few days ago, we stated, the stain, that North Carolina troops could not fight on their own soil, had been wiped out. Of course we alluded to the charge which some persons had made in reference to our reverses at Newbern and Roanoke Island. We never believed the charge well founded. No act of the North Carolina troops has ever justified the charge.—But it is well known that some persons have doubted their ability to fight well on their own soil, and it was this doubt or charge to which we alluded, as being entirely wiped out by the late signal successes of our troops at Fort Branch and Wilmington.

There was a very unpleasant rumor afloat on yesterday here, that the 4th Battalion of Junior Reserves commanded by Maj. Reese, had been surrendered to a Yankee Captain recently below Wilmington. The story as it goes, we do not believe. Much anxiety exists to know the truth, as several of the boys were from this place. We hope to have a correction of it before going to press.

BOXES FOR SOLDIERS.—The Surgeon General of this State is doing our soldiers and their friends a great service by forwarding all boxes, packages, &c., by a special messenger at the first of each month. On the first of December eight hundred boxes were sent; for the Soldiers' Christmas dinner four hundred were forwarded, and we saw on yesterday some two hundred to be sent on the first of January. This number will be largely increased before the messenger leaves.

WE ARE INDEBTED to an unknown friend for a copy of an address delivered before the young ladies of the Clio Society of the Oxford Female College, June 2d 1864, by Col. D. K. McRae.

The holders of gold are demanding $40 and upwards in this city. At this rate it will soon get out of sight.

OLD GEN. SCOTT at one time dreaded more the fire in his rear, than the fire in his front.—Every good general will provide for the extinguishment of both. During this war we have known no successful movement, where either were neglected. We have remarked that we did not anticipate Hood's success, after we understood the object of the movement. We believe the war furnishes no instance of success at any time, when an attempt has been made to leave a strong force of the enemy in the rear to advance upon a position which could be easily re-inforced by the enemy. The attempt was made when Kirby Smith was sent into Kentucky in the rear of Buell. The movement moved Buell, because Bragg was in his front, but the results of the entire movement were only of temporary advantage. The same may be said of Gen. Lee's advances into Maryland and Pennsylvania. The fire in the rear and the fire in front are a little too much for any man. What must have been Gen. Hood's fate about now if Sherman had pressed his rear until he reached the neighborhood of Nashville? But Sherman saw that Thomas with his chances for re-inforcing could manage Hood, and hence he boldly plunged through Georgia.

REV. DR. CRAVEN in the *Confederate* of yesterday announces that Trinity College will receive any number of disabled soldiers' orphans and children of indigent soldiers free of charge for tuition and all other expenses, except Board. A large number can be furnished with good accommodations.

The following statements of the Fayetteville *Observer* corroborates what we have heard of the treatment of negroes sent from this section to the fortifications:

TREATMENT OF NEGROES ON PUBLIC WORKS.—We learn that there is unfortunately too much reason for the resolution adopted by our Legislature, remonstrating against the "cruel and inhuman" treatment of the slaves conscribed for work on the defences in this State. We have unquestionable information from one of the truest men of this county, that one of his own men, as faithful and obedient a servant as he ever saw, has come back to him "a wreck," and says "they may kill him if they will, but he will never go back to that work." The same gentleman informs us that he knows of two others who make the same declaration. This is a shocking state of things, as impolitic as it is inhuman, for policy not less than humanity imperatively demanded that these poor creatures, removed by public necessity from the care of their lawful protectors, should be treated with a decent care and kindness, and not after the manner of the vile Yankees.

We understand that the owners in this county offered to hire an overseer, at their own expense to accompany their men and look after their welfare; and that the offer was refused. It may be that there was no law that would justify the acceptance of the offer; but it would be well if there were. Unless samething is done, we may have the woods filled with runaways,—poor creatures who would never think of absconding from their masters, but who will not go where they suffer so deeply.

REV. J. M. SHERWOOD who has been the Editor *pro tem* of the Fayetteville Presbyterian for some time his retired, and Bart. Fuller, Esq. takes his place.

SUPREME COURT. Opinions delivered in the following cases:

By PEARSON. C. J. In Patrick *v.* Carr, in equity, from Greene, demurer sustained, bill dismissed. In Coley *v.* Ballance, in equity, from Wayne, directing decree accordingly. In Jones *v.* Clark, in equity from Edgecombe; error—order reversed.

By BATTLE, J. In Wood's case (*habeas corpus*) order reversed, petitioner discharged. In G. H. Clark's case; same. In Blanch *v.* Goddin, from Halifax, judgment reversed and judgment here for plaintiff. In Herring *v.* Kornegay, in equity, from Wayne; decree for an account. In Jenkins *v.* Faulcon, in equity, from Halifax, demurer sustained and bill dismissed.

By MANLY, J. In Lane *v.* Lane, in equity, from New Hanover, declaring the rights of the parties. In J. Casey's case, remanding the petitioner to the custody of the officer. In Gadry's case, the same. In G Caseys case, the same. In Cox's case, judgment affirmed—petitioner to remain in custody of the officer.

HIGH'S CAVALRY is one of the most useful Home Guard Companies in the State. We learn from a member that it has been on a scout for some days in Harnett County and captured half a dozen deserters—most of them desperate characters.

Our mails bring us little or no intelligence from any quarter. We get a Richmond mail now and then, with papers three or four days old.

Messrs. Branson & Farrar's Catalogue of Music is completed in to-day's paper. They have one of the largest assortments in the Confederacy.

WE RECEIVED no Southern or Virginia papers on yesterday. This will account for any lack of news matter in to-day's paper.

We were pleased to see in our city on Thursday last Hon. W. N. H. Smith. Mr. S. left on yesterday for his home at Murfreesboro'.

OUR INDIAN TROOPS.—Gen. Stand Watie, commanding our Indian troops in the Trans-Mississippi Department, has fully clothed and armed all his men and is in the vicinity of Fort Smith, attacking and destroying yankee wagon trains.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

DESERTERS COMING IN.—For the last week, ending on Sunday, the 18th inst., 180 odd yankee deserters entered our lines, the most of them influenced by General Order No. 65, which ensures a safe conduct through the Confederacy to the border, and a return of the deserters to theia native States. A batch of several hundred returning pilgrims, seeking their native and odopted land left Richmond last week, and ere now are across the border.—*Richmond Examiner.*

THE NEW HOME GUARD LAW.—We are favored by Judge Shepherd with a copy of the "bill to increase the efficiency of the Home Guard organization," and understand, that it was passed substantially, though not exactly in that shape. It provides for the consolidation of two or more companies or parts of companies, to form one company of 64 men, when called into service beyond the limits of their counties; officers to be elected from those holding the same rank and the surplus officers to serve as non-commissioned officers or privates, but not to lose their commissions while so serving. A number of companies to be consolidated in battalions or regiments, the Governor to assign officers to command. A Medical Board to examine persons claiming exemption.—The exemption of Ministers, by a former act, is by this act is confined to those having the care of a congregation, and of millers and blacksmiths to those who are public millers and blacksmiths. In addition to former exemptions, this act exempts County Trustees, and regular public tanners, shoemakers, and hatters, skilled as such, and employed as such prior to and since 1st Jan'y 1863. These exemptions to cease in case of actual invasion or insurrection in the county in which the parties reside. —*Fay. Obs.*

CAN IT BE POSSIBLE?—Have our Exchange officers suffered themselves to be again cheated by the yankees, as stated in the following paragraph which we find in the Richmond Examiner:

THE EXCHANGE.—Captain W. H. Hatch, of the Exchange Bureau, who went to Savannah to superintend the exchange of ten thousand prisoners of war, is expected to reach Richmond on his return to-day or to-morrow. The exchange at that point was broken off after the Confederate authorities had given eleven thousend yankees and received four thousand Confederates. It is said the balance are to be delivered in the James river.

Gen. Sherman reports officially that his entire loss in the march from Atlanta to Savannah was only 1000, that he was not at all molested by guerillas, that he lost not a wagon, but gathered a large supply of negroes, mules, horses, &c., and consumed stores and provisions that were essential to Lee's and Hood's armies. Alas for Georgia, that allowed an enemy to pass through 200 miles of her territory without molesting him.

But either Sherman or the Georgians state what is not true. They say that there are 1000 deserters in Macon alone which Sherman lost on his march, to say nothing of deserters at other places, and the nnmbers that Weeeler's cavalry are said to have killed, wounded and captured.

FROM THE ROANAKE.—It is pretty certain that during the late Yankee advance up the Roanoke twelve Yankee vessels ascended that stream and but *six* of them returned—the other six were disposed of by the Confederate torpedoes. And another thing is very certain—six hundred Yankees perished by the explosions. Of this latter fact we have almost incontestible evidence. That will do for our torpedoes.—*State Journal.*

In the midst of wars and rumors of wars—of the booming of great guns and trampling of squadrons,—we were rather surprised yesterday by some guns from the river announcing the arrival of certain saucy blockade runners. It was a queer episode in the history of the week.—*Wilmington Journal Dec. 29th.*

INK.—A friend says that he has secured very good writing ink by making a strong decoction of the bark of the chinqepin, and adding therete a certain proportion of copperas. It is cheap, and he says s as good an ink as any he has used.—*Wilmington Journal.*

A SHOWER OF GRAVEL.—Mr. John F. Clodfelter has handed us a specimen of gravel, of which there was a considerable shower fell from a cloud on the plantation of Wm. Knox, Esq., in Iredell county, in October last. It is a fragile gray colored stone, with large proportion of silex.—*Salisbury Watchman.*

THE OLD ISSUE.—Congress has passed the bill to extend the time for the redemption of the old issue Treasury notes to the 1st July next.

The man who made a shoe for the foot of a mountain is now engaged on a hat for the head of a discourse—after which he will manufacture a plume for Gen. Intelligence.

BRAZILIAN AFFAIRS.—News to the 9th ultimo from Rio Janerio, received per steamship Cuba, indicate that the Florida affair will be amicably settled with the Brazilian Government.

LOST.—A small lady's watch, with a white face; also, two ivory young ladies' work boxes, a mahogony gentleman's dressing case, and a small pony, belonging to a lady with a silver mane and tail.

Mr. Foote of Tennessee has announced his determination to retire from Congress and find in distant countries the home of a refugee."

A GOOD COLLECTION.—The collection in St. John's Church, in this town, on Christmas Day, amounted to $1964. It was in aid of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Parish.—*Fay. Obs.*

"Hello, Frank, I thought you was dead?" "Oh," said Frank, they did get a story around that I was dead, but it was another man. I knew it wasn't me as soon as I heard it."

YANKEE DESERTERS.—We are reliably informed that there are 1,000 deserters from Sherman's army in Macon, which have been picked up at various times.—*Chronicle & Sentinel.*

A Mr. Price, a Locofoco county Treasurer of Wisconsin, has run away. He is a Locofoco *Price Current.—Prentice.*

POSTAGE.—Congress has passed a bill which authorizes the transmission of all mailable matter, without pre-payment of postage, the postage to be paid on delivery.

One of the dullest men we have ever seen was named Sharp, one of the most stupid was named Smart, one of the slowest was named Swift, one of the tallest was named Low—and the ex Governor of Virginia is named Wise.—*Prentice.*

PRISONERS.—We learn that an order has been received from Richmond for the removal of all prisoners from this post.—*Salisbury Watchman.*

Many a beggar is proud of his ancestry. If he has no other coat in the world, he is vain of his coats of arms.—*Prentice.*

Naomi, the daughter of Enoch, was five hundred and eighty years old when she was married; courage, ladies.

The young lady who fell *dead* in love with a young man revived on being asked to name the day.

What relation is the door-mat to the scraper? A step farther.

Get possession of the whole world, and if you measure your own shadow you will not find it one jot longer than before.

Why is a man charged with a crime like types? Because he should not be *locked up* till the *matter is well proved.*

Why is a watch-dog larger at night than in the morning? Because he's *let out* at night and *taken in* in the morning.

The man who couldn't trust his feelings is supposed to do business on the cash principle.

A NOBLE ANSWER.—A friend sought to comfort the wife of the great French General, the Marshal de Villeroy, after the defeat of the latter by Marlborough, at Blenheim, by saying that, thanks to Heaven, the Marshall had escaped uninjured. "That, indeed," she replied, "is enough for me, but it is not enough for him."

A Western editor (what fellows those western editors are) in dunning his subscribers says he has had *responsibilities* thrown upon him, which he is obliged to *meat.* His wife had presented him with a pair of twins.

PICKED UP PROVERBS.—Half the glory crowns we see, are only gilded crowns of thorns.

Fierce foes make firm friends.

"Trust not always to the brightest;
Know the winter-moon's the lightest."

God sometimes cuts his flowers with a very rough knife.

A first class youth brings a third class age.

The wild oats of youth, change into briors of manhood.

Life is company, Death is solitude.

Popularity is not love.

The heart is often better than the head.

Grey hairs are the frostwork of age.

The skies won't go into mourning for our sorrows.

The sad colored cloak of silence often covers the spotted clothes of ignorence.

Pleasant lies, once sown, come up prickles.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Schedule of Prices.

IN THE SCHEDULE OF PRICES PUBLISHED OVER date of Dec. 7, 1864, the item Cane Molasses was intended to be, and is hereby declared omitted altogether. The discrepancy in price was therefore not intended to be made.

Papers still publishing the Schedule will please omit the line referred to, and others who have published it are requested to copy this.

D. K. BURGWYNN, R. V. BLACKSTOCK, } Commissioners.

Dec. 31, 1864. 214—2t.

By Tucker, Andrews & Co.

ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 1865,
1 new 2 Horse Wagon,
1 new 1 Horse Wagon,
1 new Spring Wagon,
1 good second hand Buggy and Harness,
1 good Cow with first calf.

Dec. 31, 1864. 214—2t.

NOTICE!

ON THE 7TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1865, WILL BE HIRED out, at Boon Hill, on the N. C. R. R., about seventy likely negroes, belonging to the estate of Thadeus W. Whitley, dec'd. Among them is a good carpenter, and other valuable hands.

Also, at the same time and place, will be rented the Mills and lands belonging to the said estate.

ADAM J. HEATH, Adm'r.

Dec. 31, 1864. 214—5t*

☞ The person having a certain ladies daguerreotype will confer a favor by leaving it at this office. W.

Dec. 31, 1864. 214—1t.

DECEMBER, 1864.

CATALOGUE OF SOUTHERN SHEET MUSIC,

FOR SALE BY

BRANSON & FARRAR,

RALEIGH, N. C.

MARCHES AND QUICKSTEPS.

Beauregard's Manassas Quick-step	A Noir	D	1,50
Confederate's Grand March	W H Hartwell		2,00
Carnival De Venise	F Buck	D	2,00
*Confederate's Polka March	W H Hartwell		2,00
*Empire State March	H L Schreiner		2,50
Gen. Bragg's Grand March	P Rivinac		2,50
Gen. Beauregard's Grand March	Mrs V G Cowden		2,00
*Gen. Morgan's Grand March	C L Petticolus	D	2,00
Mocking Bird Quickstep	J A Rosenberger	D	2,00
*Never Surrender Quickstep	E O Eaton		2,00
*Old Dominion March	C Nordenoff	D	1,50
Our First President's Quick-step	P Rivinac	D	2,00
P F Smith's March	Mortin		2,00
Rivinac's Medley Quickstep	P Rivinac		2,00
Soldier's Greeting March	H Schoeller		1,50
Stonewall Jackson's Grand March	C Young		1,25
Stonewall Quickstep	J H Howett		2,00
Washington Artillery Polka March	A E Blackmar		1,25

POLKAS AND SCHOTTISCHES.

Impromptu Polka	Schulhoff		2,00
La Favorite Polka	W L Hensler		1,50
Palmetto Schottische			2,00
199 Broad Street Polka	E O Eaton		2,00
Leonora Polka	Merz		2,50
Signal Corps Schottische	M M Barrows		1,50
Spring Time Polka	A J Turner	D	2,00
Southern Rights Polka			2,50

WALTZES.

Bessie Bell Waltz	A J Turner	D	2,00
Brightest Eyes Gallop	Schwartz		1,50
Greenwood Waltz		D	3,50
Mollie's Dream Waltz	Reissiger		2,00
Pensivinna—Valse Sentimentale	Hensler		2,00

FANTASIAS, VARIATIONS, &c., &c.

Gondellied	Oastin	D	2,00
Her Bright Smile—Improvisation	La Hache		3,00
La Marsellaise	Beyer		2,00
Home Sweet Home—Var.	Slack		2,00
Nocturne	Dohler		3,50
Shells of Ocean—Var.	Grobe		3,50
Soldier's Adieu	Londahl		2,00
Ever of Thee—Var.	Grobe		3,50
Silvery Shower	A Baumback		2,50
How Can I Leave Thee—Var.			3,50
Lorena Variations			3,50
Anvil Chorus			3,50
Tremolo			3,00
Shower of Pearls	Orberne		3,50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Hunton's Instructions	No. 1	3,00
" "	No. 2	3,00
" "	Complete	5,00
Christison's French Grammar		3,50
Songs of Love and Liberty ($40,00 per hundred)		75
Jack Morgan-Songster ($60,00 per hundred.)		

The usual deduction to the trade.

The pieces marked D are published by Geo. Dunn & Co., of Richmond, for whom we are the Sole Agents in North Carolina. We sell their music on precisely the same terms as sold by them.

* The pieces marked with a star have ornamental title pages.

‡ The pieces marked with an ‡ have Guitar as well as Piano accompaniments.

Music will be sent by mail free of postage, on the reception of the above prices. 214—12tw2t.

BOXES FOR SOLDIERS.

ALL BOXES FOR SOLDIERS OR PRISONERS OF War from North Carolina, delivered to the following named persons will be promptly forwarded free of charge:

Sprague Brothers, Salisbury.
Dr D F Summey, Asheville.
Dr W A Collett, Morganton.
Dr J W Allison, Statesville.
Dr J L Neagle, Greensboro.
Mr A Hagan, Charlotte.
Mr Edward Hege, Salem.
Capt J N McDowell, Raleigh.
Joseph A Worth, Fayetteville.
E Murray & Co., Wilmington.
Mr F L Bond, Tarboro.
Mr J A J Askew, Colerain.
Mr F L Roberts, Murfreesboro.

The Boxes should be well hooped, properly marked, and delivered in time for my Special Messenger who leaves Raleigh on the first day of every month

EDWARD WARREN,
Surgeon General N. C.

Raleigh, Oct. 29, 1864. 163—tf.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH, N. C.

RIGHT REV. THOS. ATKINSON, D. D., Visitor.
REV. ALDERT SMEDES, D. D., Rector.

THE NEXT TERM WILL COMMENCE FEB. 1ST, 1865, and continue twenty weeks. Price of Board, fuel and lights, $1,000 per Term. For a circular apply to the Rector.

Dec. 16, 1864. 203—2t*

A Private School.

THE FIFTH SESSION OF MISS MANGUM'S SCHOOL for young Ladies, will begin on the 10th February. Only a limited number of pupils can be received.

For further information, address

MISS M. P. MANGUM,
Flat River, Orange Co., N. C.

Dec. 26, 1864. 111—w6w.

CARD NOTICE.

THERE IS NOW ANOTHER LOT OF COTTON AND Wool Cards (ready for use) for distribution to Soldiers families, at $10 per pair. Agents will please call for them.

H. A. DOWD, A. Q. M. N. C.

Dec. 30, 1864, 218—6t.

TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS.

[OF THE SOUTHERN PRESS ASSOCIATION.]

entered according to act of Congress, in the year 1861, by J. S. THRASHER, in the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the Confederate States of the Northern District of Georgia.

From Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 29.

The enemies fleet have gone to sea, only a few of them are visible this afternoon.

An Intervention Proposition.

RICHMOND, Dec. 29.

The Enquirer to day closes a leading editorial as follows:

If France and England will enter into a treaty with these Confederate States, recognizing our nationality and guaranteeing our independence upon the abolition of slavery in all these States, rather than continue the war we should be prepared to urge the measure upon our readers. We believe such a proposition would be favorably received and acted upon by those nations, and ought to be made to them.

Congressional.

RICHMOND, Dec. 29.

Nothing of interest on yesterday. In the House to-day, a bill was reported from the committee of Ways and Means, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase thirty million of specie.

The House passed a bill giving one suit of uniform clothing to officers of the army in the field, under brigadiers, and in the navy under Captains.

The Senate was in secret session.

RICHMOND Dec. 30.

The Senate is in secret session. House passed the House bill to facilitate payment claims due deceased officers and soldiers. Various new propositions were introduced.

Northern News.

RICHMOND, Dec. 29.

The New York Herald of the 29th received this evening, and is almost devoid of news.

A Nashville telegram of the 24th says that it is reported that Hood cannot cross the Tennessee on account of the flood in the river which in many places has overflown the banks.

Thomas' headquarters is still at Columbia, although our advance has pressed after the rebel army.

The Herald gives obituary notices of William Curtis Nayes, an eminent Lawyer, and James William Walleck, Senior who died on Sunday.

AT A MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, TO OPEN books of subscription to the capital stock of the Deep River Transportation Company, held in Raleigh on the 28th December, 1864, it appearing that more than $50,000 are subscribed by solvent subscribers, it is ordered that a meeting of the stockholders be called at the office of the R. & G. R. R. Co., in Raleigh, N. C., on the 12th January, 1865, at 4 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of organizing the company.

Ordered further, that the books of subscription be kept open until the day of meeting, at Fayetteville, under superintendence of C. B. Mallett, Esq., at Pittsboro', of E. H. Straugh, Esq., at Gulf, of Geo. Washington, Esq., at Lockville of Capt. E. Bynum, at Raleigh, of the undersigned.

By order of the Commissioners:

W. J. HAWKINS, Chairman.

KEMP P. BATTLE, Sec'y.

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☞ Confederate and Fayetteville Observer copy twice.

☞ The annual meeting of the members of the North Carolina Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held at the office of the Company in Raleigh, on Thursday the 12th of Jan. 1865. H. S. SMITH, Secretary.

Dec. 15, 1864.

NOTICE.

Rutherford County, N. C.

A NEGRO BOY WHO SAYS HIS NAME IS MAT, WAS committed to the public Jail of said County on the 10th day of November, 1864. Said boy is about 5 feet 10 inches high of dark color, and wore at the time a dark coat and pants, a black felt hat, and is rather slow spoken, and says he belonged to B. O. Kelly of Lumpkin county, Georgia that he was taken to work on the breastworks at Augusta, and to Charlotte, N. C., where he was sold by the Auctioneer of that place and was purchased by Benjamin Dickson, and he says he ran away from Dickson to get back to his mistress. The owner of said boy is hereby notified to come forward prove property, pay charges and take him away, or he will be dealt with as the law directs in such cases made and provided.

G. W. CORBET, Jailor.

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HENRY E. COLTON, Agt. F. K. Co.

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Sale of North Carolina Bonds.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT OF N. C.,
Raleigh, Dec. 16, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THIS Department till 12 o'clock M., on the 2d January next, for the purchase of North Carolina State Bonds, to the amount of $500,000, bearing 6 per cent. interest, with Coupons payable semi-annually, principles payable 1st January, 1893.

The proposals should be endorsed "bid for State Bonds." I reserve the right to reject bids below what I may deem it advantageous to the State to accept. The bids must be for $500 or the multiple of $500.

JONATHAN WORTH, Public Treas.

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Post Q. M. Department, C. S. A.,

RALEIGH, Dec. 6, 1864.

I WISH TO HIRE (3) THREE NO. 1 TEAMSTERS FOR Capt. S. S. Kirkland, A. Q. M., Hillsboro', N. C.

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W. E. PEIRCE, Capt. & A. Q. M

203—6t.

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Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 21-1864. 207-1m